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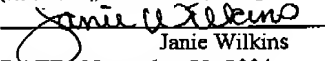
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For: **Precoding Circuit And**)
Precoding-Multiplexing Circuit For)
Realizing Very High Transmission)
Rate In Optical Fiber Communication)

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated May 26, 2004 in the patent application identified above, please enter the following amendments and reconsider the application in view of the appended remarks. A request for a three-month extension of time accompanies this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.